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SUBJECT: ARAB LABOR PRESS SYMPOSIUM AND OUTLOOK FOR ALO

DIRGEN AL-HUDAYRI

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- 1. WE AGREE WITH DEPARTMENT'S CONCLUSION THAT SUBJECT SYMPOSIUM PART OF AL-HUDAYRI POLITICKING FOR RE-ELECTION AS ALO DIRGEN. IT WAS LOOKED UPON HERE AS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HUDAYRI'S LAVISH USE OF ALO FUNDS FOR PERSONAL PURPOSES.
- 2. AL-HUDAYRI IS SAID TO BE ACUTELY AWARE OF FACT THAT EGYPTIAN MINMANPOWER BULTIYYA IS ACTIVELY EYEING HIS JOB IN THE EVENT THAT HE LEAVES THE CABINET AFTER OCTOBER ELECTIONS. ALTHOUGH BULTIYYA PRESUMED SLATED TO HOLD ON TO ICATU SECRETARIAT FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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EGYPTIANS IN FACE OF SYRIAN AND IRAQI THREATS, HE IS RE-

PUTED TO HANKER FOR PRESTIGIOUS, EXCEEDINGLY WELL-FUNDED AND SOFT ALO DIRECTORSHIP. DEPENDING ON DECISIONS TAKEN WITHIN GOE (DISCUSSED SEPTEL) HE MAY BE FREE FOR THE JOB AND RECEIVE ACTIVE EGYPTIAN SUPPORT.

3. WELL PLACED EGYPTIANS LABOR SOURCE TELLS US THAT, TO BE SURE, THERE PLENTY OF OPPOSITION TO AL-HUDAYRI BUT THAT DECIDING FACTOR WILL BE EXTENT TO WHICH ALGERIAN GOVERNMENT DECIDES TO SUPPORT HIM. HE HAS, IN PAST FEW MONTHS, REPORTEDLY BEEN ON SHAKY TERMS WITH GOA.

4. FOR DEPARTMENT: WE HAVE, FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS, NOT PREVIOUSLY POUCHED RECENT COPIES OF ALO REVIEW, BUT WILL DO SO NOW PER PARA THREE REFTEL.

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